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CARACAS FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRE-ADVANCE

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS : OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY)
SUBJECT : PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE - ADDITIONAL OPTION FOR
RIO VISIT

1. DEPARTMENT AND PRE-ADVANCE MAY WISH TO CONSIDER ANOTHER POSSIBLE OPTION FOR THE PRESIDENT DURING HIS RIO STAY, AN IDEA THAT HAS BEEN PROPOSED BY OFFICIALS OF THE BRAZILIAN SPORTS CONFEDERATION. THIS WOULD BE A SIMPLE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT WITH THE BRAZILIAN NATIONAL FOOTBALL TEAM, THEIR COACH, AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE BRAZILIAN SPORTS CONFEDERATION. THE ENCOUNTER WOULD PREFERABLY TAKE PLACE AT THE PRESIDENT'S QUARTERS (THE CONFEDERATION OFFICIALS SUGGESTED THE SPORTS FEDERATION HEADQUARTERS, BUT THEY ARE LOCATED IN EXTREMELY CONGESTED CENTRAL AREA OF THE CITY). THIS EVENT WOULD ACHIEVE ALMOST UNIVERSAL MEDIA COVERAGE HERE IN BRAZIL, AND WOULD ENGENDER MUCH GOODWILL FROM THE BRAZILIAN PEOPLE. AS THE DEPARTMENT MAY BE AWARE, THE SOCCER WORLD CUP MATCHES TAKE PLACE IN JUNE IN BUENOS AIRES; BRAZIL IS GIVEN A GOOD CHANCE OF WINNING OR REACHING
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THE FINALS. BRAZIL IS THE ONLY COUNTRY WHICH HAS PERMANENT POSSESSION OF THE WORLD CUP FOOTBALL TROPHY FOR ITS THREE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TRIUMPHS.

2. EMBASSY CONCURS.
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